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JUDGE:

RE: Speaking Invitation
The White House Conference
for a Drug Free America
Los Angeles, CA
11 November 1987

Director of Public Liaison for the White House Conference for a Drug Free America Barbara B. Hayward, on behalf of Chairman Lois Haight Herrington, has invited you to give the closing address at their regional meeting on Wednesday, 11 November in Los Angeles. Also on the program will be California Governor George Deukmejian, former UCLA basketball coach John Wooden, Dr. Beny Primm and CEO of Coca-Cola Telecommunications Herman Rush. Alternate dates and places of 3 December in Jacksonville or 9 December in Albuquerque were suggested.

The White House Conference for a Drug Free America was mandated by the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1986, and established by an Executive Order from President Reagan on 5 May 1987. The Conference's purpose is to review and critically assess all areas of the drug abuse crisis in the U.S. Through a series of regional meetings and forums, the Conference plans to focus public attention on effective methods of curbing drug abuse. The national meeting is scheduled to be held in Washington, D.C. 28 February - 3 March. (For further information see brochure and press release opposite.)

In your role as Director of Central Intelligence, I do not believe that this is an appropriate audience for you to address. Also, you have speaking commitments on the evening of 10 November in Washington and on 13 November in Chicago. In any case, I would rather see you address a national conference rather than a regional one. If you agree, attached is a letter of regret for your signature.

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20 OCT 1987

Ms. Barbara B. Hayward
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The White House Conference
for a Drug Free America
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Dear Ms. Hayward:

Thank you for your kind invitation to speak at the regional meeting of the White House Conference for a Drug Free America on November 11th in Los Angeles or to the other regional meetings you mention in your letter. After checking my calendar, I see my schedule conflicts with your proposed dates and I will have to decline the honor. However, I certainly wish to add my voice in support of the Conference.

Please give my regards to your Chairman Lois Haight Herrington and best wishes for a successful meeting.

Sincerely yours,

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Director of Central Intelligence

THE WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE FOR A DRUG FREE AMERICA

October 9, 1987

The Honorable William H. Webster
Director of Central Intelligence
Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Judge Webster:

As you know, on May 5, 1987, President Reagan appointed Lois Haight Herrington to be Chairman of the White House Conference for a Drug Free America. The Conference will hold six regional meetings this year, and a national meeting in Washington, D.C. from February 28 to March 3, 1988. I am enclosing a fact sheet on the Conference, as well as a press release and a tentative agenda for the Los Angeles meeting.

On behalf of Lois Herrington, I would like to invite you to give the closing address for the second regional meeting in Los Angeles, California, on Wednesday, November 11, 1987 at 11:00 a.m.

One of the issues we will be discussing during these meetings is that of law enforcement. With your background in both the FBI and the CIA, you would be the perfect person to speak on this subject, which is such an important concern in the overall strategy of eliminating illegal drug use in our society. Also, your presence would help make this meeting a real credit to the President.

If your schedule does not permit you to accept the invitation for Los Angeles on November 11, we would like you to speak in either Albuquerque, New Mexico, on Wednesday, December 9 or Jacksonville, Florida, on Thursday, December 3, again for the closing address.

I look forward to hearing from you, and hope that your schedule will allow you to accept our invitation to speak in Los Angeles, or if not, then at one of these other two meetings.

Sincerely,

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Barbara B. Hayward
Director, Public Liaison

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THE WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE FOR A DRUG FREE AMERICA

OFFICE OF THE CHAIRMAN

Dear Concerned American:

The White House Conference for a Drug Free America, authorized by Congress and established by President Reagan, is holding six regional conferences in November and December, 1987, to consider effective strategies to combat the crisis of drug abuse in this country. I would like to extend an invitation to you to attend the meeting being held in Los Angeles, California from November 8-11.

The input and suggestions of Americans with real experience in the battle against illicit drugs are critical as we take a hard look at the problems and seek a broad national strategy for removing drugs from our society. Those of you who work with this problem on a daily basis know best how serious the problem is, and what approaches are working or not working as we search for answers.

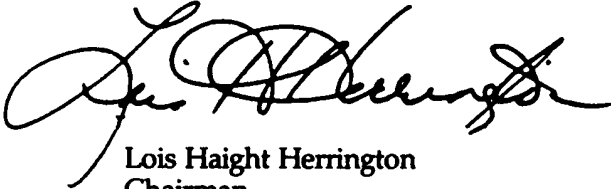
This meeting is an opportunity to work with many others, and to share with decision-makers and government officials what you have learned from your efforts. The information you can bring to this conference and the ideas and recommendations you can make will be a key to finding effective strategies which can be implemented in communities and at the state and national level across the country.

Following the six regional conferences, we will gather all of this information together for a national conference in Washington, D.C., February 28-March 3. As a participant in the regional conference, you will be invited to attend this national conference and share in the discussion, resulting in the final report to the President and to Congress.

I hope you will make every effort to accept this invitation to participate in the White House Conference for a Drug Free America. Your ideas and experience are important to us, and to future generations of Americans.

Please join us in working to develop a national strategy to make America drug free. I look forward to meeting you in Los Angeles.

Sincerely,



Lois Haight Herrington
Chairman

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THE WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE FOR A DRUG FREE AMERICA

FACT SHEET

- * The White House Conference For A Drug Free America was mandated by the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1986, and established by President Reagan's Executive Order #12595, of May 5, 1987.
- * The Conference has a broad mandate to review and critically assess all areas of the drug abuse crisis in the U.S. It will bring together knowledgeable individuals from the public and private sectors who are concerned with drug abuse prevention, education, and treatment, and the production, trafficking and distribution of illicit drugs.
- * Through a series of meetings and forums, the Conference will focus public attention on effective methods of curbing drug abuse; look at the essential role of parents and family members in preventing drug abuse; explore ways to foster an attitude of intolerance of illicit drugs nationwide; and help eliminate both the supply and demand for these drugs.
- * The Conference is chaired by Lois Haight Herrington. Mrs. Herrington, a former Assistant Attorney General of the U.S., has had a distinguished career in the criminal justice system and is a former juvenile hall counselor, probation officer, and Deputy District Attorney. She previously served as chairman of the President's Task Force on Victims of Crime, and also coordinated the Attorney General's Task Force on Family Violence and the President's Child Safety Partnership. She is a four-time delegate to United Nations Conferences.
- * Conferees are being appointed by the President on the basis of their experience and commitment to a drug-free society. These include: members of the President's Cabinet, state and local officials, business leaders, educators, religious leaders, sports commissioners, coaches and athletes, law enforcement officials, representatives of family groups, youth, and those working in drug abuse prevention, treatment, rehabilitation, and research.
- * Supporting the Chairman will be a series of Committees:
 - Drug-Free Workplace
 - Drug-Free Education
 - Drug Abuse Treatment
 - Drug-Free Sports
 - Drug Law Enforcement
 - Drug Abuse Prevention
 - Drug-Free Transportation
 - Drug-Free Public Housing
 - International Drug Control
 - Drug-Free Media and Entertainment

- * **The White House Conference will host six regional forums between November 1st and December 16th to facilitate the gathering of information and to encourage contact between concerned individuals. Participants from 6 to 10 regionally grouped states will gather in the following host cities:**

Omaha, Nebraska
Registration: November 1
Meetings: Nov. 2, 3, & 4

Los Angeles, California
Registration: November 8
Meetings: Nov. 9, 10, & 11

Cincinnati, Ohio
Registration: November 15
Meetings: Nov. 16, 17, & 18

Jacksonville, Florida
Registration: November 30
Meetings: Dec. 1, 2, & 3

Albuquerque, New Mexico
Registration: December 6
Meetings: Dec. 7, 8, & 9

New York, New York
Registration: December 13
Meetings: Dec. 14, 15, & 16

- * **From February 28, 1988 through March 3, 1988, a national conference will be held in Washington, D.C., which will enhance and expand upon the findings of the regional conferences, showcase the best of the nation's efforts, and highlight new proposals for combatting drug abuse in this country.**
- * **The White House Conference For A Drug Free America will deliver a final report to the President and the Congress with findings and recommendations to further the vision of an America that is drug-free.**



THE WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE FOR A DRUG FREE AMERICA

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
TUESDAY, OCT. 13, 1987

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SPEAKERS ANNOUNCED FOR SECOND REGIONAL FORUM OF THE WHITE HOUSE CONFERENCE FOR A DRUG FREE AMERICA

WASHINGTON, D.C. --- California Governor George Deukmejian will make welcoming remarks Monday morning, November 9, at the opening session of the regional meeting of the White House Conference for a Drug Free America (WHC DFA) in Los Angeles, Nov. 8-11.

John Wooden, former basketball coach at the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA), will also speak at the meeting, which is the second of six regional conferences to be held prior to the national meeting of the White House Conference next Feb. 28-Mar. 3 in Washington, D.C. Wooden will be the luncheon speaker Tuesday, Nov. 10.

Wooden was head basketball coach at UCLA from 1948-1975 and was named to the National Basketball Hall of Fame as a player in 1960 and as a coach in 1970. The U.S. Basketball Writers Association named him Coach of the Year in 1964; 1967; 1969; 1970; 1972; and 1973.

Also on the program at the Los Angeles meeting will be:

--Dr. Beny Primm, Executive Director and co-founder of the Addictions Research & Treatment Corp. in New York. Dr. Primm will be the luncheon speaker Monday, Nov. 9. He is considered an expert on substance abuse in minority communities and is on the National Advisory Council on Drug Abuse for the National Institute of Drug Abuse.

--Herman Rush, Chairman & Chief Executive Officer of Coca-Cola Telecommunications. He is a member of the Academy of TV Arts and Sciences, the Hollywood Radio and TV Society, and the Producers Caucus. He is a member of the Entertainment Industries

Council, which helps raise money for anti-drug abuse projects. Mr. Rush will host the welcoming reception Sunday, Nov. 8 from 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. and will speak at dinner Monday, Nov. 9.

--Jeff Pomerantz, who founded the "Hollywood Says 'No' To Drugs Honor Roll" and "Hollywood Kids Say 'No' To Drugs," both of which use celebrity influence to fight drug abuse. Mr. Pomerantz starred as Dr. Peter Janssen for four years on the daytime serial, "One Life To Live." He has also appeared in "Magnum P.I.," "Remington Steele," "Fame," and "Dynasty," among other television shows.

The conference will be held at the Los Angeles Airport Marriott.

Lois Haight Herrington, Chairman of the WHCDFA, said that the schedule of six regional conferences culminating in a national conference is designed to give all Americans the chance to be heard on the drug abuse issue. The primary purpose of the White House Conference is to review and critically assess all areas of the drug abuse crisis in the U.S. and help develop the most effective national strategies to make America drug free.

The conference will emphasize such areas as drug-free education; a drug-free workplace; drug abuse treatment; drug-free sports; drug law enforcement; drug abuse prevention; drug-free transportation; drug-free public housing; international drug control; and drug-free media and entertainment.

Those attending the Los Angeles conference and other regional conferences will have the opportunity to contribute to a final report to the President and Congress with recommendations and results of the conference, Mrs. Herrington said.

Other regional meetings of the White House Conference will be held in Cincinnati, OH, Nov. 15-18; Jacksonville, FL, Nov. 30-Dec. 3; Albuquerque, NM, Dec. 7-9; and New York City, Dec. 13-16. The first was in Omaha, NE, Nov. 1-4.

For additional information about the WHCDFA, call (202) 254-4116. For conference registration, call 1-800-423-7314.

NOTE TO EDITOR:

Los Angeles regional conference covers: California, Oregon, Washington, Nevada, Idaho, Utah, Alaska, and Hawaii.